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Please file the following enclosed patent application papers:

Applicant: Alain Lamoureux

Title: "Counterbalancing device for tanning systems"

- (✓) Specification, Claims, and Abstract: 39 Sheets:
- (✓) Declaration: Date Signed: September 10, 2003
- (✓) Drawing(s): 7 Sheets Enc.
- (✓) Small Entity Declaration Of Inventor(s)
- (✓) Check for \$411.00 for filing fee (not more than three independent claims and twenty four total claims are presented).
- (✓) **Request Under MPEP paragraph 707.07(j):** The undersigned, a pro-se applicant, respectfully requests that if the Examiner finds patentable subject matter disclosed in this application, but feels that Applicant's present claims are not entirely suitable, the Examiner draft one or more allowable claims for applicant.

Very Respectfully,

  
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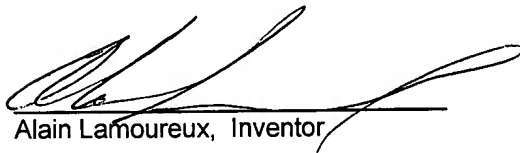
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